

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2001 Assembly Joint Resolution 51

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1

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2001 Assembly Joint Resolution 51 (AJR 51) discusses the benefits to society of recycling lumber and research efforts at the Forest Products Laboratory, of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, in Madison, to develop national grading standards for recycled lumber that will allow the recovery and reuse of lumber at the time that old frame-construction buildings are demolished. It urges the U.S. Congress to appropriate the money necessary to fully fund this research. (Note: AJR 51 is identical to 2001 Senate Joint Resolution (SJR) 30.)

Since the time that AJR 51 was initially drafted, the Forest Products Laboratory has completed the research described in the Joint Resolution. It has now moved on to related research in which it is deconstructing surplus military buildings, including those at the Badger Army Ammunition Plant, to recover reusable lumber.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 (ASA 1) also discusses the benefits to society of recycling lumber and discusses the current research efforts at the Forest Products Laboratory relating to deconstruction of surplus military buildings. It urges the U.S. Congress to appropriate the money necessary to fully fund this research. (Note: ASA 1 is identical to Senate Substitute Amendment 1 to SJR 30.)

On January 10, 2002, the Assembly Committee on Rural Affairs and Forestry voted to recommend adoption of ASA 1 by a vote of Ayes, 7; and Noes, 0; it voted to recommend adoption of the joint resolution, as amended, by the same vote.

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